

CLAIMS:

- 1) A device for carrying articles or the like which comprises:
  - a) an enclosure;
  - b) a functional device for carrying articles, information or the like, said functional device being removably positionable with respect to a preselected portion of said enclosure; and
  - c) mutually magnetically attractable devices respectively associated with said enclosure and said functional device for retaining said functional device in position with respect to said enclosure by magnetic attractive force, while permitting separation of said functional device from said enclosure.
- 2) The carrying device according to claim 1 wherein said enclosure is comprised of opposed front and rear walls, opposed side walls, and a bottom wall, said walls defining a storage space.
- 3) The carrying device according to claim 2, wherein said mutually magnetically attractable devices comprise at least one magnetic or magnetizable device associated with at least one portion of said enclosure and at least one mutually magnetically attractable device associated with at least one portion of said functional device.
- 4) The carrying device according to claim 3, wherein said enclosure forms at least part of a handbag.
- 5) The carrying device according to claim 4, wherein said magnetically attractable devices comprise at least one magnet and at least one magnetically attractable device positioned in opposed adjacent relation with each other, said magnet for providing magnetic force for separably retaining said functional device adjacent at least a portion of said enclosure.
- 6) A handbag which comprises:

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- a) an enclosure having at least opposed front and rear walls, opposed side walls, and a bottom wall, said walls defining a storage space;
  - b) first magnetically attractable device associated with at least a portion of said enclosure; and
  - c) at least one functional device having at least one wall portion having second magnetically attractable device associated therewith, said wall portion positionable adjacent said first magnetically attractable device, such that said first and second magnetically attractable devices are positioned in adjacent relation whereby said functional device may be separably attached to said enclosure by magnetic attractive force, while permitting separation of said functional device from said enclosure by movement of said magnetically attractable devices away from each other.

7) A handbag which comprises:

- a) an enclosure having opposed front and rear walls, opposed sidewalls, a bottom wall, and side walls defining a storage space;
- b) a closure panel associated with at least one of said walls and arranged for pivotal movement toward and away from said at least one wall so as to define a compartment therebetween;
- c) at least one first magnetically attractive device associated with said at least one wall; and
- d) a functional device arranged for separable attachment within said compartment, said functional device having associated therewith at least one second magnetically attractable device for removably attaching said functional device within said compartment by positioning said first and second magnetically attractive devices in opposed relation so as to develop mutual magnetic attractive force between said at least one first and second magnetically attractive devices.

- 8) The handbag according to claim 7, wherein said functional device is an article carrying device.
- 9) The handbag according to claim 8, wherein said article carrying device is an organizer-type wallet having a plurality of panels positioned therein and spaced apart from each other for separating articles according to category.
- 10) The handbag according to claim 9, wherein said magnetically attractable devices include at least one rare earth magnet and said opposed mutually magnetically attractable device is a magnetizable material capable of being magnetically attracted to said rare earth magnet.
- 11) The handbag according to claim 10, wherein said rare earth magnet is a neodymium magnet.
- 12) The handbag according to claim 8, wherein said article carrying device is a wallet.
- 13) The handbag according to claim 8, wherein said article carrying device is a mobile phone carrier.
- 14) The handbag according to claim 8, wherein said article carrying device is a change wallet, or the like.
- 15) A method of separably attaching a functional device to an article carrying container such as a handbag or the like, comprising:
- a) providing first magnetically attractive device in association with the carrying container;
  - b) providing second magnetically attractive device in association with the functional device at a location whereby the functional device may be separably positioned adjacent at least a portion of the carrying container whereby said first and second magnetically attractive devices are positioned in adjacent relation so as to develop magnetically attractive force therebetween to separably attach the functional device to the

carrying container.

16) A method of separably assembling an article carrying container such as a handbag and a functional device such as an organizer-type wallet or the like, comprising magnetically separably attaching the functional device to the carrying container by mutual magnetic force developed therebetween by at least first and second magnetically attractive devices associated respectively therewith.

17) A device for carrying articles or the like which comprises:

a) an enclosure;

b) a wallet or change purse for carrying articles, information or the like, said wallet being removably positionable with respect to a preselected portion of said enclosure; and

c) mutually magnetically attractable devices respectively associated with said enclosure and said wallet or change purse for retaining said wallet or change purse in position with respect to said enclosure by magnetic attractive force, while permitting separation of said wallet or change purse from said enclosure.